The Official Action dated May 11, 2010 has been carefully considered. Accordingly, the

present Amendment is believed sufficient to place this application in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

By the present amendment, claims 26 and 32 are amended to include the limitations of

claim 3, and claim 3 is cancelled. Accordingly, it is believed that these changes do not involve

any introduction of new matter, and therefore entry is in order and is respectfully requested.

In the Official Action, claim 3 was objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base

claim, but was indicated as allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the

limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. As claim 3 previously depended from

claim 26, it is believed that claim 26 as amended to include the limitations of claim 3, and claims

2, 4-14, 18, 20-23 and 27-31 directly or indirectly dependent on claim 26, are in prima facie

condition for allowance. Additionally, independent claim 32 is also amended to include the

limitations of claim 3. As claim 32 also contains all of the limitations of claim 26, it is believed

that claim 32 is also in prima facie condition for allowance. Reconsideration is respectfully

requested.

It is believed that the above represents a complete response to the Official Action and

places the present application in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and an early

allowance are requested. The Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned if any issues

remain outstanding, in order to expedite any further prosecution.

Please charge any fees required in connection with the present communication, or credit any

overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 503915.

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